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**RETROACTIVE WITHDRAWAL OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND
PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCY OWED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)**

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Sir or Madam:

The small entity status was originally established in good faith and fees as a small entity were paid in good faith. However, it has just been discovered that through error, the PTO was not notified of loss of entitlement to small entity status in 2006 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2).

An itemization of the total deficiency payment is as follows:

7 ½ year maintenance fee paid October 12, 2007

7 ½ year maintenance fee as a Small Entity paid - \$1,180.00
7 ½ year current maintenance fee as a Large Entity - \$2,850.00
Deficiency owed - \$1,670.00

11 ½ year maintenance fee paid July 25, 2011

11 ½ year maintenance fee as a Small Entity paid - \$2,055.00
11 ½ year current maintenance fee as a Large Entity - \$4,730.00
Deficiency owed - \$2,675.00

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Thus, the total deficiency owed is \$4,345.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee, or any other fees found to be deficient by the PTO, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, Order No. 074866-0406931. For this purpose, a duplicate of this paper is attached.

It is respectfully requested that the error in small entity status be excused and that the deficiency payment be accepted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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